Normal Meetings are held at the
The Hindquarter Restaurant, 7040 Miramar Road
Social Hour, 5:30 P.M. - Dinner, 6:30 P.M. - Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

There Will NOT Be
General Meetings in November or December
There Will Be A Christmas Party
(Details Elsewhere In This Issue)

Our Prez Speaks!!!!

Harv Hiller, KD6QK

We have all, I believe, celebrated the first holiday of the holiday season. I hope that you and your family had a festive and enjoyable Thanksgiving and gave thanks for the bounty that we all enjoy and a moment of reflection for those who were not so fortunate. With the coming holidays we will again have the opportunity to celebrate those holidays which are important to each of us with our families and friends. Enjoy those moments, they are important and precious.

I hope to see all the members of the SDDXC and their significant other at our annual Holiday Party at the home of Gayle and Oscar Olson. You are encouraged to participate in the gift "exchange". We had a very funny and enjoyable time doing it last year and this year should be no different. Just an other encouragement, the club is providing all the food; the only thing you have to bring is a desire to have a good time and
your appetite. See you at the party. Direction are elsewhere in the bulletin.

There will be NO meeting in December. We will hold our first meeting of the year 0n Wednesday 23 January at the usual time and place. Bring a friend/perspective member.

73 Harv, KD6QK

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FCC HALTS PAPER FILINGS TEMPORARILY

(Taken from the ARRL LETTER)

Recently announced changes in how the FCC's Gettysburg office is receiving and handling mail have effectively halted processing of Amateur Radio vanity call sign applications. The ARRL has learned that the FCC has processed vanity applications received through October 14 and that vanity applications received after that date remain on hold for the time being.

"We understand that mail directed to the FCC Gettysburg office beginning October 15 was being held pending the start of special handling precautions to address any biohazard contamination concerns," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ. On a positive note, Jahnke said, the FCC is tracking the receipt date for each piece of mail.

Because the FCC gives equal priority to paper and electronic vanity applications, Jahnke explained, all vanity processing was being suspended until the mail situation is resolved. Citing a need for heightened security measures, the FCC announced November 14 that it had moved the Gettysburg office's mailroom offsite, to the rear entrance of 35 York St, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

The FCC did not announce, however, that mail received at Gettysburg starting October 15 had not yet been opened, pending arrangements to handle it without the possibility of endangering personnel. Jahnke said vanity processing should resume once the FCC begins to open its mail backlog. Just when that might happen is not yet known. Vanity processing typically takes 18 days.

The Gettysburg office is where the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau processes Amateur Radio applications and issues licenses. It's also where Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth has his office.

Jahnke said the mailroom situation also could affect some Amateur Radio renewals. He said amateurs who filed timely renewal applications may continue to operate beyond a license's expiration date, if the mail delays cause the license to lapse before the renewal occurs. "For persons filing for renewal near the end of their two-year grace period, their applications will be accepted for processing if they arrive at FCC before the grace period expires."

The FCC said the US Postal Service will continue to accept and will divert all mail addressed to 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg--the office's physical location--to the off-site mailroom. Until November 30, the FCC itself will divert overnight courier deliveries for 1270 Fairfield Road to the off-site mailroom.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!

TREASURER'S REPORT
October 31, 2001

Balance as of September 30, 2001: $2,695.19
Income:
Regular Dues:
50.00
Dinner Receipts:
13.00
TOTAL:
63.00
Expenses: None
Balance as of October 31, 2001:
$2,758.19

Minutes from Last Meeting……..

Harv Hiller KD6QK called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Thursday October 24, 2001. Sixteen members and 2 guests were present. Arnie, W7BIA collected the monies from our many gourmets for the price of their dinners.

If you have ever heard fish stories, you would have felt right at home during our DX Roundtable, as tales were told about all the ones that got away.

Top Ten Award was read by John K6AM on Top 10 mixed.

Treasurer's Report was read by Harv KD6QK as our distinguished Harry W6YOO was watching Julio Iglesias in concert.

It was reported that both Harv KD6QK and Tuck NZ6T worked the Roundup on behalf of the DX Club.

A motion was made by Jim W6YA to reimburse whatever expenses were incurred for our annual Christmas party. The upcoming 2002 DX Convention was also discussed. The convention will once again be held in Visalia, Ca.

We had 2 visitors, David N6AN, and his sister Barbara. David gave a very interesting talk about operating in Mexico.

DUES ARE DUE

Here is another gentle reminder that your 2002 dues are due. Please take a moment to write out a check to SDDXC for $10.00 and put it in the mail to Treasurer, San Diego DX Club, 2435 Our Country Road, Escondido, CA 92029-5715. So far only a scant half-dozen members have sent in their dues. PLEASE do it today!

WRTC 2002 announces remaining national team pairings:

The WRTC 2002 committee has announced that all national teams have now been selected for next year's event in Finland. Czech Republic: Vojta Zeman, OK2ZU, and Karel Karmasin, OK2FD; Spain: Eduardo Satrk, EA3NY, and Fernando Martines, EA3KU; Belgium: Mark Demeuleneere ON4WW, and Peter Casier, ON6TT; Poland: Bogdan Chorazyk, SP3RBR, and Andrzej Jarzakowski, SP8NR; France: Gerard Parat, F6GFZ, and Laurent Blin, F5NLY; Japan: Koji Tahara, JM1CAX, and Satoshi Nakamura, JE1JKL; Italy: Stefano Brioschi, IK2QEI, and Maurizio Panicara, I4JMY. Team Asiatic Russia has changed. The new team is Mikhail Klokov, RZ9UA, and Gennadij Kolmakov UA9MA. The deadline for "wildcard" team applications is November 30, 2001. Visit the WRTC 2002 Web site <http://www.wrtc2002.org> for more information.

THANKS!!

After over 18 years of dedicated service to the Southwestern Division, Fried Heyn WA6WZO has decided it is time to retire. He, and his YL Sandi WA6WZN have given so much to the ham community, well, what can you say? What can you do? One thing you can do, is to send him an e-mail at wa6wzn@arrl.org or drop him a snail mail and let him know how much he has meant to all of us. GOOD LUCK FRIED AND SANDI!!!

SAN DIEGO DX CLUB

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2001
6:30 PM UNTIL ???????

AT THE HOME OF GAYLE AND OSCAR OLSON
17010 SURREY HILLS COURT
POWAY, CALIFORNIA

COME JOIN US FOR MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

DRESS IS CASUAL

THERE WILL BE A DRAWING FOR HRO GIFT CERTIFICATES

FOR THE HAMS AND GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR THE LADIES

PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN OUR GIFT EXCHANGE GAME. BRING A WRAPPED GIFT AT NO MORE THAN $5.00

THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES

PLEASE RSVP TO (858) 566-8267 OR (760) 743-4212
NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 6, 2001 GIVING NUMBER ATTENDING

DIRECTIONS:
From I-15
Take the RANCHO BERNARDO RD exit
Go east on RANCHO BERNARDO RD
RANCHO BERNARDO RD becomes ESPOLA RD.
Turn LEFT onto VALLE VERDE RD.
Turn LEFT onto EDINA WAY.

Map will give you a general idea

Turn RIGHT onto SURREY HILLS CT.

A special presentation will be given to a DX Club member for over 70 years as an ARRL Member. Make sure you are there to help congratulate him on a great achievement!!

Vice Director Election Results Announced in Three ARRL Divisions

NEWINGTON, CT, Nov 16, 2001--Ballots were counted today at ARRL Headquarters in contested races for vice director in three ARRL divisions for the 2002-2005 term. The Committee of Tellers has certified the results of these contested elections.

In the Pacific Division incumbent Vice Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG, of Castro Valley, California--a retiree--garnered 1924 votes to beat back a challenge from physician Gerald D. Griffin, K6MD, of Pacific Grove, California. Griffin polled 1225 votes. A ham since 1952, Vallio, 65, was SM and, previously, Section Communications Manager of the East Bay Section and is completing his second year as Pacific Division Vice Director. He serves on the ARRL Board's Membership Services Committee. Vallio is an ARRL Life Member and an active contester and DXer.

In the Southeastern Division, Georgia SM and retired TV traffic coordinator Nelson E. "Sandy" Donahue, W4RU, of Atlanta, Georgia, outpolled West Central Florida Assistant Section Manager and computer programmer-analyst Paul J. Toth, NA4AR, of Seminole, Florida, 2783 to 2305. They were contending for the seat being vacated by Vice Director Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, who decided not to seek a new term after 22 years of service. An ARRL Life Member and a frequent hamfest and convention attendee, Donahue, 56, is in his third term as Georgia SM and has been an Assistant Director since the mid-1980s. He's been a ham for more than 40 years.

In the Southwestern Division, San Diego Section Manager and train operator Tuck Miller, NZ6T, of National City, California, defeated electrical engineer Edward J. "Ned" Stearns, AA7A, of Scottsdale, Arizona. The vote was 2485 to 2208. Miller thus gains the vice director's position being vacated by Art Goddard, W6XD, who ran unopposed for director upon the retirement of Fried Heyn, WA6WZO, who's served as director since 1984. A ham since 1991, Miller, 48, has served as San Diego SM since 1998 and is active in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. He was voted the Southwestern Division's Volunteer of the Year in 1994. Miller is an ARRL Life Member.

In addition to Goddard, those unopposed for directors' seats were incumbents Jim Maxwell, W6CF, in the Pacific Division; Walt Stinson, W0CP, in the Rocky Mountain Division, Frank Butler, W4RH, in the Southeastern Division and Coy Day, N5OK, in the West Gulf Division.

Vice directors' positions who went unchallenged in this election cycle were incumbents Warren G. "Rev" Morton, WS7W, in the Rocky Mountain Division; and David Woolweaver, K5RAV, in the West Gulf Division.

All unopposed candidates were declared elected. New terms for all successful candidates begin at noon January 1, 2002, and run for three years. (*Taken from the ARRL website www.arrl.org*)

NEWINGTON, CT, Nov 16, 2001--You may never have heard of it before, but Ducie Island in the South Pacific is the latest DXCC entity--the 335th, according to ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG. Starting at 0000 UTC on November 16, 2001, Ducie Island will be eligible for DXCC credit as a result of a favorable vote to accept the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association (PIARA) as an International Amateur Radio Union member-society.

. Ducie is located east of Pitcairn Island, perhaps best known among hams as the home of Tom Christian, VP6TC, who's PIARA president and head of the Ducie DXpedition team.

PIARA filed its application for IARU membership last March, and the matter went to a world-wide vote of IARU member-societies in June. Votes were counted November 15, and PIARA's application was approved for admission effective November 16, 2001. Under DXCC rules, an entity that hosts an IARU society is considered a "political entity." Pitcairn Islands--including Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno islands) is an overseas territory of the United Kingdom.

Mills emphasized that only contacts dated November 16, 2001, and later will count for DXCC.
(taken from the ARRL web site www.arrl.org)

Local VHF Frequencies For Dxers

Frequency	Call	Mode	Other Info
144.415	QRZ?	Simplex Voice annoucing and chat frequency.	
144.950	KM6K	Packet	San Diego Central
145.690	K6KT	Packet	North County inland

The packet cluster nodes are privately operated.
The Sysops have kindly invited the SDDXC members to use their equipment.

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